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Shirokane Children's Park, 2-24-3 Shirokanedai

Using the Minato City Libraries and the Minato City Local History Museum

Minato City Libraries

Borrowing library materials

You are free to read any books and check out any library material using your library card. Those who live, work or study in Tokyo's 23 cities are eligible to check out materials from municipal libraries. When applying for a library card, please provide an ID that shows your address, company or school address.

Lending limit: 2 weeks

15 books/magazines, 5 CDs, 2 DVDs, 3 videotapes
Please use the automated lending machine at each library.

Returning library materials

All materials borrowed can be returned to any libraries and cooperating facilities in the city. During closing hours, return them to the book return box. A book return box is located at all libraries, except for the Takanawa Library Annex. Also, there are book return boxes in the Minato City Local History Museum, Lifelong Learning Center, Minato Park Shibaura, and Shibaura-konan Civic center. **Note:** CDs, videos, DVD, and materials from Tokyo Metropolitan Library and libraries in other cities cannot be returned in the box. Please return them to the appropriate library counter directly.

Borrowing/returning at cooperating facilities

Items from Minato City libraries can be borrowed and returned to the library at the Minato City Local History Museum, Daiba Civic Center, Gender Equality Center "Libra," and Aoyama Lifelong Learning Center. Please note that the operating hours of each facility will differ from the Minato City libraries.

Collaboration between university libraries

Materials from Temple University Japan Campus library and Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology library can be borrowed via any Minato City library.

Minato City residents aged 18 and over who have library cards can browse materials in the Shibaura Institute of Technology Library.

Digital Library

E-books from municipal libraries can be borrowed and returned through internet.

It is available for library card holders who live, work or study in Minato City. You can borrow up to 5 items for 2 weeks.

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Minato Call
CITY INFORMATION SERVICE
03-5472-3710

Internet service

You can search or reserve library materials, cancel reservations, and extend the borrowing period via Minato City library website. To use the Internet service, a password is required. Please register from the Minato City library website before you use the Internet service.

Book-start

Open to guardians of babies up to 12 months old. The city library will provide a picture book to them.

Movie events

Libraries hold monthly movie events. Minato City libraries will invite film critics and directors every month. The guests will explain about the movies.

Database search

Please inquire at the library counter.

Other services

Book home-delivery service, oral reading service, internet connections, etc.

Library hours

Monday to Saturday: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sunday, holidays, and December 28: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Takanawa Library Annex: 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Closed: 3rd Thursday, inventory check days and December 29 to January 3.

The Takanawa Library Annex is closed on the days above and also holidays.

The above schedule may change. Please confirm the library website or call the library before you visit.

Note: If library materials have been lost or damaged by writing in or getting wet, you may be asked for financial reparation. Please handle them with care.

Mita Library

Mita Library will be relocated to Fuda no Tsuji Square, 5-36-4 Shiba, which will open in April 1.

Minato City Local History Museum

It is a place to learn nature, history, culture in Minato City and to nurture exchange. It conducts exhibitions, events, and operates a café and museum shop.

Operating hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., until 8 p.m. on Saturday

Closed: 3rd Thursday, December 29 to January 3, and special inventory dates

Fee: ¥300 for adults, ¥100 for high school students and under

Free admission for people aged over 65 and disabled people residing in Minato City, high school students and under residing and studying in Minato City.

Please bring your ID to verify your address, age, etc.

For more information, please visit the Minato City Library or the Minato City Local History Museum website.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Termination of the Registration for Motorcycles

Owners of light motor vehicles, such as motorcycles, electric bicycles, scooters or mini cars, are subject to a light vehicle tax (category base), which is imposed as of April 1. If for any reason you no longer own a tax-subjected light motor vehicle, please complete the registration termination procedures no later than March 31. If you fail to complete the procedures, you will be required to continue paying taxes in 2022 despite not owning a light motor vehicle.

Completing the procedures

For motorcycles up to 125cc, visit the Counter Services Subsections of Regional City Offices.

For two-wheeled vehicles over 125cc, visit the Tokyo Transport Branch Office, 1-12-17 Higashi-oi, Shinagawa City, Tel: 050-5540-2030

For light vehicles up to 660cc, visit the Light Motor Vehicle Inspection Organization, 3-3-7 Konan, Tel: 050-3816-3100

FESTIVAL

Gender Equality Festival at Libra 2021

There will be seminars and presentations of the outcomes of activities run by registered organizations, sales of snacks and handicrafts, tea ceremony, café, and more. Everyone is welcome.

Date & time: March 5 to 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Place: Gender Equality Center “Libra,” 1F & 2F of Minato Park Shibaura

Lecture

Is Corona era a depression for women?

—To overcome gender inequality—

Speaker: BANDO Mariko, Chancellor of Showa Women’s University

Date & time: March 6, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Libra Hall

Capacity: First 100 people

*Childcare available, 4 months old to pre-school age.

Please apply by February15.

*Sign language interpreter available.

Application: Call or visit Libra’s website, or come directly to Libra.

For more information please visit the Libra website: www.minatolibra.jp

Inquiries: Libra, Tel: 03-3456-4149



CITIZEN SERVICES

Resident Support Section Counter Service Hours

Due to the busy relocation season ahead of the new fiscal year, Minato City’s Resident Support Section will offer extended service counter operating hours on the first floor of the Shiba Regional Office every Saturday between March 26 and April 2. The counter will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please note that the extension is not applicable to other Regional City Offices.

All Regional City Offices operate until 7 p.m. every Wednesday, except for Daiba annex and for the period between December 29 and January 3 and national holidays

Available services

- Acceptance of moving-in/out and change of address notifications
- Acceptance of personal seal registrations
- Issuance of My Number Cards
 - * Unavailable on Saturdays
 - * Pre-reservation required. Until 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays
- Renewal of electronic certificate on My Number Card
- Issuance of certificates of residence, seal impressions and family registers
- Issuance of certificates of taxation and tax payments
- Payments of residence tax, national health insurance, medical care for senior citizens, and long-term care insurance premiums
- Acceptance of Family Registrations
- Acceptance of applications for *Jido-teate*, Child allowance
- Acceptance of applications for the Children’s Medical Subsidy

Services that are unavailable during all extended/ irregular hours

- For the following moving-in notifications, please apply during regular operating hours: moving in from overseas, some My Number related services, domicile setup, and others.
- Family register notifications will be accepted but not processed. Please note that certificates of acceptance may not be issued.
- Services requiring confirmation from other municipalities or relevant institutions will not be available

Inquiries: Minato Call, Tel: 03-5472-3710

MINATO BULLETIN BOARD



Programs may change without notice.

Library Events

SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

Please wear mask and take your temperature before coming.

Date	Time	Program	Place/Capacity
Library Movies			
12	2 p.m.	Le Trou -1960, France, 132 min.	Konan/20
18	2 p.m.	The Ring -1927, England, 89 min.	Takanawa/20
Library Events			
12	10:30 a.m.	Bookstart	Takanawa
12	3 p.m.	Storytelling	Minato/10

CITY EVENT

Kissport

Traditional Culture Festival

Data & time: 3/19 10:30 a.m., 3/20 2 p.m., 3/21 1 p.m.
Place: Minato City Center for Traditional Culture
Eligibility: Elementary students and older
Capacity: First 100 people
Application: Apply through the Kissport website or call Minato City Center for Traditional Culture, Tel: 03-3455-8451

RECYCLE

Sale of Recycled Bikes

About 15 recycled bikes in good condition that are reclaimed and repaired are sold.
Date and time: March 13, 10 a.m.
The drawing starts a 10:30 a.m. Minato City residents have priority.
Place: Minato Recycling and Management Office Working Contact, 3-9-6 Moto-azabu Inquiries: Minato Call, Tel: 03-5472-3710

INTERFM 89.7 MHz

Minato Voice

Time: 5:56 to 5:59 p.m., 3 min. program
Monday & Thursday: English, **Tuesday:** Japanese
Wednesday: Chinese, **Friday:** Korean
* Programs may change without notice.
Inquiries: Public Relations Subsection, Tel: 03-3578-2041

VACCINATION

Issuance of COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate through the Dedicated App

People who hold a My Number Card and smartphone can now use the dedicated app, COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate App provided by the Government of Japan for the issuance of their vaccination certificates. There are two types of vaccination certificates—for both overseas and domestic, and for domestic. Select the vaccination certificate for your purpose.
Eligibility: People who have received their vaccinations in Japan using vaccination tickets issued by Minato City.

Documents required for application

- 1 My Number Card
- 2 Smartphone
- 3 Valid passports within the expiration date

Scan the code to download the app



App Store



google play

Minato City COVID-19 Vaccination Call Center
Tel: 0120-252-237
English, Chinese, Korean

Opening hours

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Weekends and national holidays: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Third vaccination for residents who received their second vaccinations six months ago

From January 27, medical workers, senior citizens, and all residents 64 years old and under are able to receive their third vaccinations six months or more after their second vaccinations.

Minato Public Health Center

SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

Examinations, Tel: 03-6400-0084

	Eligibility	Date	Time	Place
Checkup and consultation for babies/infants	An eligible resident must receive the notification - 4-month-old: Born in December, 2021 - 18-month-old: Born in September, 2020 - 3 years old: Born in March, 2019		A notification will be sent to eligible.	(A)

(A) Minato Public Health Center

Note: You need to apply and make an appointment in advance.
Inquiries and appointment: Minato Public Health Center, Tel: 03-6400-0084
For inquires in English, contact Minato Call, Tel: 03-5472-3710

Himawari Medical Facilities Consultation Service

If you are looking for a doctor or pharmacy, you can call the Himawari. Himawari informs medical institutions and Japanese healthcare system.
Tel: 03-5285-8181, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

REDUCE WASTE

Recycled Furniture Exhibition

March is a busy season with people moving in and out. When leaving Japan, you may want to dispose of furniture that is no longer necessary. You may want to purchase furniture at an affordable price when starting a new life in Japan.

As a measure to reduce large-sized waste and promote effective use of resources through reusing the furniture, Minato City operates the Recycled Furniture Exhibition. Furniture that is still in good condition is assessed by the quality of each piece, collected for free, exhibited and sold at the Recycled Furniture Exhibition.

If you are looking for decent furniture with reasonable prices, or if you would like to dispose of furniture for free, please visit or apply to the Recycled Furniture Exhibition.

If you would like to purchase furniture

Quality furniture collected from Minato City residents are collected, simply cleaned, and sold at the Recycled Furniture Exhibition.

Part of the furniture displayed at the store can be seen at the Minato City web. Please take a look.

- * Home delivery service fee for the furniture will be charged separately.
 - * Everyone is eligible for purchase but home delivery service is limited to people residing in Minato City and nearby cities.
- Hours:** 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Closed: Sundays, 3rd Thursday of every month and December 28 to January 3
Place: Minato Resource Recycle Center 2F, 5-7-1 Konan



If you would like to dispose of furniture

Usually disposing large-sized waste requires a pick-up fee. However, the Recycled Furniture Exhibition offers a service to collect unwanted furniture in good condition from Minato City residents for free, after assessing the quality of each piece. For further details see the Minato City web.

* As a result of assessment, in some cases, furniture may not be collected depending on their conditions and quality.

Supervising Section: Minato Recycling and Waste Management Office



CHANNEL 11

Minato Public TV Program Guide

J:COM MINATO-SHINJUKU **MARCH schedule**

Program	Time	Program Summary
Hi from the Mayor of Minato City 20 min. bilingual program	10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m.	Interview of three athletes living in the City who competed in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.

Note: Programs may change without notice. You can also watch the programs broadcasted by this channel on the Minato City Web or YouTube. Video/DVD lending is available at the Office of the Mayor, and public libraries. Videos/DVDs for the past year can be rented.

Inquiries: J:COM Minato-Shinjuku, Tel: 0120-999-000 <https://www.jcom.co.jp/english/>

ANNOUNCEMENT

2022 Mayor’s City Policy

—Smiles and vitality to the city. Now is the time for city administration to create a future—

At the first 2022 regular meeting of the Minato City Assembly that opened on February 16, Mayor TAKEI Masaaki delivered a policy speech regarding the city administration. The Mayor explained initiatives including measures to prevent the spread of infection, by conducting vaccinations, and raising awareness about infection prevention, in order to protect the lives and health of residents.

Furthermore, he expressed that the following 3 goals have been established toward the realization of the City that is sophisticated, filled with smile toward the future: 1 Clean and comfortable. A safe and sustainable city; 2 Revitalization of the region. A vibrant city; 3 An inclusive city with respect for various people. A city that values individuals. He also spoke about initiatives such as environment beautification of the downtown areas, creation of prosperity and revitalization of regional industries, and strengthening consultation system at the Child Consultation Center.

For more details about the policies, please see the Minato City Web.



Population of Minato City

AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2022

Total: **257,610**

Japanese Residents: 240,661

Male: 112,404 /

Female: 128,257

Registered Foreign

Residents: 16,949

Male: 8,728 /

Female: 8,221

